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THE CHEAP POSTAGE.

Monday was the inauguration of continental penny-postage and as a first day, it was a decided success. Never was such a mail assorted and handled in the Toronto post-office. The great bulk of this correspondence, however, consisted of business letters. Among large business houses, it is customary during the Christmas season to send accounts and other correspondence winding up the year's business. When the reduced rate on postage was announced several large wholesale houses held over this annual batch of letters until they could share in the benefits of the reduced rates. A saving of one-third the expenditure in the item of postage stamps is an important matter when the outside business of a firm has reached large proportions. The two-cent postage will be a great boon to wholesalers and manufacturers. It will facilitate business because it is now possible to write three letters for the former price of two. Doubtless it will be an advantage for the producer or wholesaler to be in closer touch with his customers, and at no increase of cost. The effect on the general letter writing of the public remains yet to be estimated, but there is no reason to apprehend that the people will be less keen than the business section to see the advantage of the reduced rates.

Pegleg Brown, the colored tramp, who shot and killed a constable in London last summer, and who is now in London awaiting trial, is, it seems, to be taken back to the United States, because he was not legally extradited. It appears he was got over the boundary line between Washington and British Columbia by some gentle acquaintance to the detectives. It is pretty clear, from the evidence produced at the preliminary inquiry, that he is the murderer. But the lawyer defending him has apprised the United States Attorney-General of the irregularity of his capture and hence the delay, expense and the red tape before justice can be meted out to the perpetrator of a ghastly crime. While it is right that all necessary safe guards should surround an unconvicted criminal, it is wrong that the kinks and quibbles of law should be employed to enable a criminal to escape from the hands of justice, when it is certain the person is guilty of the offence charged against him. A proper limit to the acts and devices of lawyers in defence of murderers and scoundrels has yet to be fixed.

A celebrated judge was once trying a case where the accused could not understand Irish, and an interpreter was accordingly sworn. The prisoner said something to the interpreter and the latter replied. "What does he say?" demanded the judge. "Nothing my Lord." "How dare you say that, when we all heard him? Come, sir, what was it?" "My Lord," said the interpreter, beginning to tremble, "it had nothing to do with the case."

"If you don't answer I'll commit you sir." Now what did he say? "Well, my Lord, you'll excuse me, but he said, 'Who is that old woman with the red bed curtain around her sitting up there?'"

At which everybody present roared. "And what did you say?" said the judge, looking a little uncomfortable. "I said, 'Whist, ye spalpeen.—That's the old boy that's going to hang ye.'"

No better evidence that Canada is passing through an era of prosperity is required than to instance the fact that the public deposits in the savings bank accounts for the month of November, have increased 4 1/2 million dollars. During the hard times of 1895 and '96 the average increase was only 1/2 million dollars. Nobody should cry "hard times" any longer. If times are hard with some people they have only themselves to blame.

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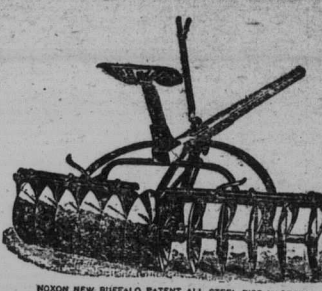


Mrs. Wright, of Norval, Ont., Expresses Intense Suffering from Eczema in Her Feet.

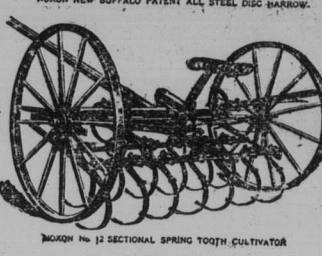
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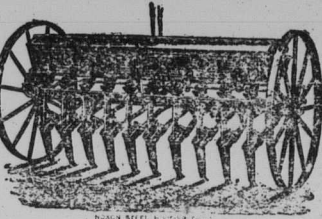
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